# COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

## **FISCAL NOTE**

L.R. No.: 1854-03

Bill No.: Perfected HCS for HB 886

Subject: Retirement - Schools; Retirement Systems and Benefits - General

Type: Original

<u>Date</u>: April 20, 2017

Bill Summary: This proposal changes the employer contribution for the College or

University Retirement Plan and requires employees to contribute to the

plan.

# **FISCAL SUMMARY**

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020	
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Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>Other</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: ( ) indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
<b>Local Government</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0

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#### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### **ASSUMPTION**

Officials from the **Missouri State Employees Retirement System (MOSERS)** assume the proposed legislation with the House Committee Substitute would, if enacted, modify the employer contribution rate for the College and University Retirement Plan (CURP), which is a defined contribution plan administered by MOSERS for professors and administrators holding faculty rank at state colleges and universities (referred to by law as "outside employees"). As proposed, the employer contribution rate would be modified to a fixed 6% of payroll from the current rate of 1% of payroll less than the normal cost contribution rate of the defined benefit plan.

In addition, the proposal would require outside employees hired on or after July 1, 2018, to contribute 2% of payroll to the CURP. A provision of federal law is also referenced to allow the institutions to "pick-up" or treat certain contributions as employer contributions under the Internal Revenue Code in order to allow employee contributions to be made on a pre-tax basis.

Outside employees are allowed to contribute two percent of pay to a supplemental account established by the employer. Such employees may elect to change the contribution rate.

This proposal has an effective date of July 1, 2018.

Established in 2001 under Senate Bill 371, the CURP became effective July 1, 2002, for new employees holding a faculty rank within the state colleges & universities (excluding the University of Missouri). As of June 30, 2016, CURP covered approximately 2,600 participants with an average account balance of \$26,461.

The chart below outlines the employer contribution rate to the CURP since its inception as well as the associated MOSERS annual normal cost. As depicted, the MOSERS annual normal cost has steadily decreased since the implementation of the MSEP 2011 new tier.\*

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#### ASSUMPTION (continued)

It is important to note that employees do not currently contribute to CURP.

	MOSERS	Resulting
Fiscal Year	Normal Cost Rate	CURP Contribution Rate
FY 02/03	8.22%	7.22%
FY 03/04	8.47%	7.47%
FY 04/05	8.57%	7.57%
FY 05/06	8.81%	7.81%
FY 06/07	8.84%	7.84%
FY 07/08	8.87%	7.87%
FY 08/09	8.88%	7.88%
FY 09/10	8.71%	7.71%
FY 10/11	8.77%	7.77%
FY 11/12*	7.92%	6.92%
FY 12/13*	7.80%	6.80%
FY 13/14*	7.38%	6.38%
FY 14/15*	7.16%	6.16%
FY 15/16*	6.89%	5.89%
FY 16/17*	6.67%	5.67%
FY 17/18 <sup>^</sup>	7.19%	6.19%

<sup>^</sup> MOSERS Board adopted actuarial assumptions resulted in an increase in the normal cost rate.

The provisions of this proposal would not have a fiscal impact on MOSERS.

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Public Employee Retirement (JCPER)** state that this legislation would not create a substantial proposed change in future plan benefits as defined in Section 105.660(10).

JCPER assumes the House Committee Substitute increases the employer contribution to the CURP plan. The introduced version required 5.5% whereas the House Committee Substitute requires 6%. In addition, employees will have the option to contribute an additional 2%.

In response to a similar proposal from this year (SB 62), officials from the **Missouri Southern State University (MSSU)** did not anticipate a significant fiscal impact since the proposed employer funding percentage of 5.5% does not vary significantly from the current funding percentage. The proposed uncoupling of the CURP funding formula from the MOSERS "normal

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#### ASSUMPTION (continued)

cost contribution" component and establishment of a fixed rate would eliminate the downward trend in the CURP funding percentage that has been noted in recent years.

Officials from the **Missouri State University** and the **University of Missouri** each assume the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

In response to a previous version, officials from the **Metropolitan Community College** assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their organization.

In response to a similar proposal from this year (SB 62), officials from the **Truman State University** assumed this proposal would result in a minimal positive fiscal impact.

In response to a similar proposal from this year (SB 62), officials from the **University of Central Missouri** assumed a potential savings of \$1.9 million to the University as a result of this proposal.

In response to a similar proposal from this year (SB 62), officials from the **Northwest Missouri State University** and the **State Technical College of Missouri** each assumed the proposal will have no fiscal impact on their respective organizations.

**Oversight** assumes this legislation would modify the employer contribution rate to a fixed 6% of payroll from the current rate of 1% of payroll less than the normal cost contribution rate of the defined benefit plan. In addition, the proposal would require outside employees hired on or after July 1, 2018 to contribute 2% of payroll to the CURP. In addition this proposal would allow outside employees to contribute 2% of pay to a supplemental account established by the employer.

**Oversight** notes that the 4 year average CURP employer contribution rate is 5.9775% and the 5 year average CURP employer contribution rate is 6.058%. Since this legislation would modify the employer contribution rate to a fixed 6%, Oversight assumes this proposal will not have a material fiscal impact to the contributions made by employer-institutions.

#### House Amendment 1

Officials from the **Joint Committee on Public Retirement (JCPER)** assume the adoption of House Amendment1 makes the perfected bill identical to section 104.1205 contained in HCS/SS/SB 62 and SCS/HCS/HB 831. The House Amendment removes language that would have established a percentage of employee pay to be contributed to a supplemental account.

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#### ASSUMPTION (continued)

For CURP, the perfected HCS/HB 886 will require employers to contribute 6% of payroll, employees hired on or after 7/1/18 to contribute 2% to CURP, and permit employees to contribute to a supplemental account.

Officials from the **Missouri State Employee's Retirement System (MOSERS)** assume this amendment removes language that would have established a percentage of employee pay to be contributed to a supplemental account; therefore, MOSERS assumes this amendment will not change the fiscal impact of their original response.

**Oversight** assumes House Amendment 1 will not fiscally impact state or local governments.

FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2018	FY 2019	FY 2020
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

## FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

# FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This act provides that the employer contribution to the defined contribution retirement plan for "outside employees" (as defined) of certain higher education institutions shall be six percent of payroll to the plan, rather then the current one percent of payroll less than the normal cost contribution rate established for employees of institutions other than outside employees, and that outside employees hired on or after July 1, 2018, shall contribute two percent of pay.

The effective date of this act is July 1, 2018.

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# FISCAL DESCRIPTION (continued)

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

## SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Missouri State Employee's Retirement System
Joint Committee on Public Retirement
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State Technical College of Missouri
Missouri Southern State University
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Truman State University
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